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SUBSCRIPTIONS

May we start this issue by reminding members that  
for the majority of you subscription time has come round  
again? A cross in the box alongside indicates that yours  
is due on 1st September. Please let the Secretary have an  
early remittance.

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EXHIBITION

A substantial portion of Mr Jennings's collection is to be shown at the Portsmouth & District Philatelic Society's Exhibition on the South Parade Pier, Southsea, on September 10,11 & 12.

The Post Office are also entering an exhibit and a special postmark is being issued. Postcards bearing a special cachet are on sale at 6d each for post marking. Alternatively, these may be franked direct to addressee at 1/- each.

Over 800 sheets will be on show including the Society's fine collection of Portsmouth postmarks dating back to 1666.

If any member requires further information would they please write to Mr Jennings and not to the Secretary?

EDITORIAL JOTTINGS

In a recent letter,Lave Stump tells us that the stencils Mr Jennings sent him after indefinitely postponing work on his book,have now been run off and a limited number of copies are on the way to England. These stencils form a complete chapter and were to have been the introductory chapter in Mr Jennings's book. They form a complete story in themselves and deal with the pre 1881 period mainly, including lists of railway perfins, full names, perfins on 1d reds, and designs.

The copies on the way to the Secretary are for sale to members in the British Isles only (overseas members will get their copies direct from Dave Stump) at 8/6d each post free. The number of copies available will not be sufficient to satisfy all British members should everyone want one, so we suggest you send your order to the Secretary right away. Those members who wrote previously expressing an interest will, of course, have a copy reserved for them pending receipt of their remittance. All profits go to the Society's funds.

Miss Thornton has now completed compiling all the information on the G.B. section of the officials catalogue and has written it up ready for publication. We hope to make a start on this next month.

#### SOCIETY PERFORATING MACHINE

The recent auction proved such an outstanding success that provisional figures indicate that the Society's funds will benefit by about £10, (we hope to give a full account next month).

It was suggested, and agreed by the Committee, that since the Society is already in a fairly sound financial position this sum could be most usefully used in purchasing our own perforating machine.

Messrs Nelson and Carr have been making enquiries and have obtained the following interesting general information in addition to our particular needs;

Slopers : They said that they do not make small perforating presses for sale. They believed that their perforating service costing 2/- for every £10 worth of stamps supplied was a far better and cheaper method.

Sauvens : They said that the smallest machine they make for perforating stamps contains six dies in a row and costs £40. As this was obviously beyond our means they suggested the next firm.

Baddeley Bros: This firm make a small single die machine whose ultimate cost depends on the number of letters required and the number of pins in each letter, but which should be around £10 for a four letter die, i.e. SEPS. They advised against the use of

E           small pins, which are inclined to clog up small hand  
S    P       machines and also to tear the stamps. They also  
S           recommended that the die should not consist of the four  
            letters in a row, either horizontally, vertically or  
            diagonally. The Committee tentatively decided upon the  
die shown above left, but it was left to Messrs Nelson and Carr to  
use their discretion when making the final arrangements.

Mr Jennings suggested that when we own our own machine we should provide the service of perforating current mint stamps for members at a small charge. He also proposed certain rules which should be observed to avoid the charge of cheating.

Mr Carr who will be custodian of the machine has agreed in principle to provide such a service, and details are presently being worked out. We will publish the finalised details next month and let members know when we expect to take delivery of the perforator.

#### THIS MONTH'S CONTENTS

Two pages of general interest (1 sheet), Perfins on Postal Stationery-3 (1 sheet), Official Perfins Worksheet No. 12, Councils listing "E" 5.1 to 5.6 (2 sheets), "N" Identifications (3 sheets) which replace previously issued pages.

The following further notes are additional to the list issued in News-Sheet No.41, February 1963.

Earlier Dates

|                     |  |          |
|---------------------|--|----------|
| 1. ENVELOPES        | Q.V, 1d pink on<br>blue paper, die dated<br>11.1.70 (Cory) | 25.1.70  |
| 2. REG. ENVELOPES   | ---  |          |
| 3. POSTCARDS        | Q.V. ½d brown (T.W.S/&Co)                                  | JY 25 81 |
| 4. WRAPPERS         | Q.V. ½d brown (A&N/CSL)                                    | 29.4.92  |
| 5. AIR MAIL LETTERS | Q.E.II 6d ordinary (C/OF/A)                                |          |

Additional users

|            |                   |           |  |
|------------|-------------------|-----------|--|
| CORY       | H 8,10,11,8       | 4         | Q.V. Envelope  |
| C/OF/A     | 3H 8/6,7/10       |           | Q.E.II Air Letter  |
| TC/GC      | 2H 7,8/10,8       |           | K.E.VII Envelope<br>(½d yellow green)                                |
| Type 111   |                   |           |  |
| T.W.S./&Co | 2H 7,16,10/14,8,6 | 4/4½,5,2½ | Q.V. Postcard<br>(½d brown, used by Thomas Wilson, Sons & Co., Hull) |

Thanks are due to Messrs Burrows & Enschede and a non-member for further information on the subject.

Please report earlier dates and additional users to Miss Thornton

OFFICIAL PERFINs - WORKSHEET No.12

1. Western Australia

- Die 1. Circular punch hole.  
a) 3mm on early issues  
b) 4mm on later issues.  
These are found on stamps of the various issues from 1854-85, and ceased to be used in 1886.
- Die 2. WA (Western Australia) 16,10  
In use from 1903-05 on the stamps of 1885-1902
- Die 3. OS 12,12  
Used by the Federal Departments from 1905-12 on the issues of 1885-1912
- Die 4. W/A 11/8  
First used on the Commonwealth issues of 1931-37, this perforation continues to be used by the State Departments.
- Die 5. PWD  
This was used by the Public Works Department for a short period before 1904.

NOTE : Stamp Collectors Annual 1944 gives another die GW/A (Government Western Australia) used in 1914. 1d red Watermark single crown A is the only value reported. This perforation is not mentioned elsewhere.

2. North West Pacific

OS 12,11

Used on Australian stamps overprinted "N.W.Pacific Islands"

This worksheet completes the chapter on the official perfins of the Commonwealth and States of Australia.

Please send details of issues, values, etc, on which you have seen any of the above dies, and any other relevant information to:-

Miss M.E. Thornton

5.1 EALING (B) MIDDLESEX

The history of Ealing is obscure and no mention is made of it in the Domesday book.

Today, with a population of 183,300, Ealing is mainly residential and has the distinction of being the oldest borough in Middlesex, and the second largest non county borough in England and Wales.

Ealing was incorporated as a borough in 1901 and in 1926 was further enlarged by the inclusion of the former Urban District of Greenford and Hanwell.

Perfin:            EC            H    9,7            (4½)

Stamps have been perforated for over 30 years and are supplied by Slopers.

Current values used are: 2d, 2½d, 3d, 4½d, 6d.

5.2 EAST BARNET (UDC) HERTFORDSHIRE

The Urban District was created under the provisions of the Local Government Act of 1894, and prior to that date was administered by the East Barnet Valley Local Board established in 1874.

The district consists of three parishes, East Barnet, Barnet Vale and Monken Hadley, the latter of which is within the geographical boundary of Middlesex but was included in the County of Hertfordshire for administrative purposes.

Perfin:            EB/UDC        2H   9,11/8,9,7        (4½)

Perfins were used during the period 1945 - 1951 and were supplied by Slopers.

5.3 EASTBOURNE {CB} SUSSEX

Eastbourne is an extremely popular holiday resort on the south coast of England with a coastline which stretches for 8 miles.

It is a comparatively modern town, its charter only dating from 1883, yet the district was occupied in Celtic times and both Roman and Saxon settlements existed there.

Perfins:    (i)    E.B.C        H    10,13,8        (5½)  
              (ii)   E.C.        H    10,8            (5½)  
              (iii) EC        H    10,8            (5½)

Die (i) is given in our catalogue but I have been unable to obtain independent confirmation and is listed here as a 'probable'.

Die (ii) should similarly be treated as a 'probable' although it is believed to be an earlier example of die (iii) before the pins forming the stops were broken. Die (ii) perforations are much cleaner than the current die (iii) which appear as though each hole was made by a pin. '

The machine producing (iii) is over 30 years old and contains four dies in a block of four.

5.4 EAST HAM (CB) ESSEX

Although mainly residential, East Ham does have some important industrial undertakings which include the Royal Group of Docks.

The Borough has grown rapidly during the past 100 years with the population increasing from 3,000 to the present total of 111,000. It received a Charter of Incorporation in 1904 and was created a County Borough in 1914.

Perfin: EHC H 9,10,7 (4½)

The length of time perfins have been in use is not known but the above die has been in use for a number of years on stamps supplied by Slcpers.

Current values: ½d, 1d, 1½d, 2d, 2kd, 3d, 6d, 1/3d.

5.5 EAST RETFORD (B) NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

The name Retford comes from the 'Red Ford' where the River Idle flowed over a stratum of red clay near the bridge joining East and West Retford.

Its name was written as REDFORDE in the Domesday book but in later centuries was known as ESTE REDDFURTHE and EST REDEFORD. The Borough has Charters dating from 1313 but it is known that earlier Charters existed which have since been lost. One writer gives Richard 1 as the Towns first benefactor.

Perfin: ERC H 9,10,7 (4½)

The use of perfins commenced on 1st April 1949 and since that date have been supplied by Slopers.

Current values: ½d, 1d, 1½d, 2d, 2½d, 3d.

5.6 EASTWOOD (UDC) NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

The earliast mention of Eastwood is in the Domesday Book when it was described as a Manor of four Bovats (50 acres approx.) and its name variously spelt as ESTWIC and ESTWAYTE.

In 1896 and again in 1935 the Urban District was enlarged so that today it covers an area of 1,179 acres.

The main industry employing the bulk of the population is coal-mining although no shaft is actually situated within the Urban District.

Perfin: EU/DC 2H 9,8/9,7 (4½)

NOTE: The die referred to has an overall measurement across the E and U (centres of holes) of 10½mm. Another die exists with a measurement of 9- mm. which is known on KG VI and KE VIII issues. It is not known whether this was used by Redford.

Perfins have been supplied by Slopers for over 15 years but due to the recent introduction of a franking machine they are gradually being discontinued.

Current values: ½d, 1d, 1½d, 2½d, 3d.

"N" IDENTIFICATIONS

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|             |    |               |           |   |
|-------------|----|---------------|-----------|---|
| N           | H  | 11            | 4½        | 1. S.G.Norris & Co Ltd<br>Dagenham, Essex.<br>2. Swan Hunter & Wigham<br>Richardsons.<br>Neptune Works, Newcastle |
| N           | H  | 16            | 7         | Guest Keen & Nettlefolds<br>Nottingham.   |
| N           | H  | 16            | 8         | do. do. do.<br>Birmingham   |
| N           | H  | 16            | 10        | do. do. do.<br>Birmingham   |
| NA/A        | 2H | 14,10/10      | 5½        | ) Navy, Army & Air Force  |
| NA/FI       | 2H | 11,8/7,4      | 4½        | ) Institutes.   |
| NA/FI       | 2H | 13,10/8,5     | 5         | )   |
| NA/SM       | 2H | 13,10/10,15   | 5         | ) Nestles & Anglo Swiss Milk  |
| NA/SM       | 2H | 13,10/10,15   | 5½        | ) Co. London E.C.3  |
| NAIRN       | D  | 13,10,5,11,13 | 5         | Michael Nairn & Co Ltd<br>Kirkaldy.   |
| NB (Joined) |    | 21            | 10        | Nathaniel Barry & Sons Ltd<br>London.   |
| NB/I        | 2H | 13,14/5       | 5         | National Bank of India<br>London.   |
| NBI/Co      | 2H | 13,13,5/8,6   | 4½        | ) The National Boiler   |
| NB/ICo      | 2H | 10,11/4,7,4   | 4½        | )   |
| NB/ICo      | 2H | 11,11/4,7,4   | 4½        | ) & General Insurance   |
| NB/ICo      | 2H | 13,13/5,8,6   | 4½        | ) Co. Ltd.  |
| NB/L        | 2H | 11,11/6       | 4½        | Newey Bros Ltd. Birmingham  |
| NBT         | H  | 11,11,6       | 4½        | Nalder Brothers & Thompson<br>Ltd. London E.8   |
| NC          | H  | 11,7          | 4½        | 1. Nelson Corporation<br>* 2. Nuneaton Corporation.   |
| NC          | H  | 13,9          | 7         | Nottingham Corporation  |
| *N.C.       | H  | 14,8          | 7         | Nottingham Corporation.   |
| NC/R        | 2H | 11,7/10       | 4½        | ) National Cash Register  |
| NC/R        | 2H | 13,8/12       | 5         | ) Co. Ltd.  |
| NC/R        | 2H | 13,8,13       | 5½        | ) London N.W.1  |
| NC/R        | 2H | 14,10/13      | 5½        | )   |
| NC/&S       | S  | 13,8/12,11    | 5½ (IIIa) | N. Corah & Sons Ltd<br>Leicester.   |
| ND/FS       | 2H | 11,9/7 9      | 5         | ) National Deposit Friendly   |
| ND/FS       | 2H | 13,11/8,10    | 5         | ) Soc. St Albans, Herts.  |
| NE/Co       | 2H | 11,9/7,4      | 4½        | The Normand Electrical<br>Co Ltd. London S.W.4  |
| NE/GB       | 2H | 11,9/9,11     | 4½        | North Eastern Gas Board.  |
| NI/R        | 2H | 14,10/13      | 5½        | North Eastern Railway Co Ltd  |

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|--------|----|--------------|---------|---|--|
| NES    | H  | 11,9,9       | 4½      | ) | The Nestle Company Ltd   |
| NES    | S  | 13,10,11     | 5½      | ) | London S.E.16  |
| NF/DC  | 2H | 11,7/9,7     | 4½      |   | New Forest Rural District<br>Council. Hants.                                   |
| N.G.   | H  | 13,10        | 6       |   | "Nottingham Guardian"<br>Guardian Journal.                                     |
| N&G    | H  | 11,12,9      | 4½ (Ia) |   | Norton & Gregory Ltd<br>London S.W.1   |
| *N/GB  | 2H | 11/9,11      | 4½      |   | Northern Gas Board.  |
| NG/S   | 2H | 13,11/12     | 5½      |   | N. Greening & Sons Ltd,<br>Warrington.   |
| N.H/C  | S  | 13,12/8      | 5½      |   | N. Heydemann & Co Ltd,<br>Bradford.  |
| NI     | H  | 11,4         | 4½      |   | Newcastle Industries,<br>Redditch.   |
| NL     | H  | 11,6         | 4½      |   | Novadel Ltd. London.   |
| N/MP   | 2H | 11/11,8      | 4½      |   | Raw Products Ltd,<br>London E. C. 3  |
| N&P    | H  | 14,14,11     | 5½      |   | Nurdin & Peacock Ltd<br>London W.1   |
| NPI    | H  | 11,8,4       | 4½      |   | National Provident Institu-<br>tion for Mutual Life<br>Insurance. London E.C.4 |
| NP/IC  | 2H | 11,8/4,7     | 4½      |   | National Provincial<br>Insurance CO Ltd.                                       |
| NPU    | H  | 15,10,11     | 6½      |   | National Provincial & Union<br>Bank of England.                                |
| NR     | H  | 11,10        | 4½      |   | Norton, Rose, Greenwell<br>& Co. London E.C.2                                  |
| NR/C   | 2H | 14,12/8      | 5½      |   | Northern Rubber Co<br>Retford, Notts.  |
| NR/CC  | 2H | 11,10/7,7    | 4½      |   | North Riding of Yorkshire<br>Council.  |
| NS/L   | 2H | 11,9/6       | 4½      |   | Nettlefold & Sons Ltd.   |
| NS/PCC | 2H | 11,9/8,7,7   | 4½      | ) | National Society for the   |
| NS/PCC | 2H | 13,10/10,8,8 | 4½      | ) | Prevention of Cruelty  |
| NS/PCC | 2H | 13,10/10,8,8 | 5       | ) | to Children.   |
| NS/RA  | 2H | 11,9/10,8    | 4½      |   | National Small Bore Rifle<br>Assoc. London S.E.1                               |
| N/SS/U | 3H | 13/11,11/9   | 5       |   | National Sunday School<br>Union. London.                                       |
| NUA    | H  | 10,8,8       | 4½      | ) | National Unionist Assoc.   |
| NU/A   | 2H | 11,8/8       | 4½      | ) | London.  |

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| NUF    | H  | 11,8,7      | 4½         | ) | Norwich Union Fire Insurance                                    |
| NUF    | S  | 13,10,8     | 6          | ) | Society. Norwich.   |
| NUL    | H  | 11,8,6      | 4½         |   | 1. National Union Fire<br>Insurance Society Ltd<br>London E.C.4 |
|        |    |             |            |   | 2. Norwich Union Life Insurance<br>Society.                     |
| NUL/BC | 2H | 11,6,6/11,7 | 4½,3,4½/4½ |   | Newcastle under Lyne<br>Borough Council                         |
| *NW    | H  | 11,13       | 4½         |   | The News of the World<br>Organisation Ltd.                      |
| NW/EB  | 2H | 11,12/9,11  | 4½         |   | North Western Electricity<br>Board.                             |
| NW/GB  | 2H | 11,12/9,11  | 4½         |   | North Western Gas Board   |
| N/Y/K  | 3H | 11/6/9      | 4½         |   | Nisson Yuse Kaisha Steamship<br>Company London E.C.3            |
| NZ     | H  | 11,8        | 4½         |   | High Commissioner for<br>New Zealand.                           |
| N&Z    | S  | 13,13,9     | 5½ (III)   |   | Negretti & Zambra Ltd<br>London W.1                             |
| N.Z.L  | H  | 13,9,7      | 5          |   | New Zealand Load &<br>Mercantile Agency Co<br>London E.C.       |

\* New entries not previously catalogued.